

## Shavuot 5751: From Barchu to Breakfast

**T**raditions of CSZ, 16th century Jewish mystics and San Francisco will come together on Saturday evening, May 18, when we celebrate Shavuot. Falling seven weeks after Passover, Shavuot celebrates the spring harvest and the giving of the Torah at Mt. Sinai. Jewish mystics introduced the custom of studying all night in preparation for the giving of the Torah the next morning. While we have celebrated and studied until midnight in previous years, the fortuitous alignment of Shavout, our secular calendar's weekend and a lot of hype for a footrace only happens once every 5751 years. We are thrilled to announce the second semi-annual (the first was with Moses, of course) Barchu to Breakfast Tikkun Leil Shavuot.

Our observance will begin with Havdalah and a dairy pot-luck supper at 7:30 pm on Saturday evening, May 18. Festival evening services, including the reading and study of the Book of Ruth, will start at 9. Following our service, Rabbi Kahn and a distinguished group of teachers will lead us in study, singing and shmoozing until dawn when we will gather on Kite Hill for the morning service and breakfast. If you haven't "pulled an all-nighter" since college, this is your chance. Even if you can't stay for the entire program, please join us for as much as you can. Be part of this historic, spiritually moving and wonderful celebration. Barchu to Breakfast—an old, yet new, tradition.

Need information? Contact the synagogue office.

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## Record Attendance Seen for International Conference

**G**et ready Sha'ar Zahavniks! An expected 500 gay and lesbian Jews from around the world will arrive in San Francisco over Memorial Day weekend for the 12th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews. This conference promises to be truly international in flavor as 32 people from Europe (representing England, France, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland and Germany) have already registered. Additionally, we have one registrant from Budapest, one from New Zealand, and two from the Soviet Union. (Our two from the Soviet Union do need some financial assistance in getting here from New York City. To make a donation, call Eric Keitel at 239-8180.) Over 15 people are coming from Canada, and we expect a few to be here from Israel. One English attendee will be filming parts of the conference for a documentary she's making on gay and lesbian Jews which will be aired on "Out on Tuesday," a gay program shown on British mainstream television.

Approximately 40 exciting workshops are to be offered at the conference. The workshop committee has tracked them into four areas—our world, organizations, arts and rituals, and our health and families. A sampling of these workshops include Update on Eastern Europe—(with a panel including Harry Kney-tal, Israel's consul general to San Francisco, and Gyorgy, a Jewish gay man from Budapest), A Worldwide Response to AIDS (film footage of the recent AIDS Quilt trip to Israel will be shown), Becoming a Parent, Being a Synagogue Leader, and Gay and Lesbian Theater.

By early April, two months before the conference, approximately 320 people have already registered. All indications are that many more will register by the conference's opening. This promises to be the largest International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews.

A busy conference committee of 23 people is hard at work putting together

the weekend's activities, most of which will take place at the Golden Gateway Holiday Inn on Van Ness Avenue. The conference opens on Friday evening with registration and a hospitality suite at the hotel. At 8:30, our Shabbat services will be held at Congregation Sherith Israel on California and Webster Streets, an eight-block walk from the hotel. The evening's guest sermonizer is Rabbi Sharon Kleinbaum, a graduate of the Reconstructionist Rabbinic College and the director of UAHC's Religious Action Center for Reform Judaism in Washington, D.C. An oneg will follow the service.

On Saturday morning, conference attendees may choose among four Shabbat services. Two workshop sessions and a luncheon will consume the late morning and afternoon. After a few hours of

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CSZ spring cleaning has Eli Weinstein up a tree, while Jonathan Goldman lends a steadying hand. You, too, can help—call the office for details. PHOTO BY SAM THAL



## Sibling Notes

**Am Segulah** (West Hartford)—Am Segulah's rabbi, Chana Timoner, spoke during the University of Hartford's Jewish Awareness Week. Her topic was "Judaism and Gay rights."

**Beth Chayim Chadashim** (Los Angeles)—BCC's rabbi, Denise Eger, taught a 10-week course this spring for those interested in becoming adult bar/bat mitzvah. Also, BCC hosted a women's interfaith celebration with members of MCC, Lesbian Catholics Together, Lesbian Buddhists and the West Hollywood Presbyterian Church.

**Beth Simchat Torah** (New York)—Beth Simchat Torah conducted a tallis-making workshop this spring. Participants were taught how to don a tallis as well as how to knot and wrap the corner fringes.

**Chevrat 'Or** (Palm Springs)—Congratulations on the formation of the newest gay/lesbian Jewish group. Chevrat 'Or formed just this spring, and can be reached c/o Temple Sinai, 43435 Monterey Avenue, Palm Desert, CA 92260, or call Jerry Sacks at (619) 568-0558.

**Kol Simcha** (Orange County)—Recently changed its name from Chaburah so as to minimize confusion with other Jewish groups with similar names.

**Nayim** (Rochester, NY)—Two members of Nayim spoke before the confirmation class at a local Rochester synagogue on the topic of Judaism and homosexuality.

**Yakhdav** (Montreal)—Yakhdav was recently awarded a grant of \$2,500 by the Montreal Jewish Community Foundation in recognition of the unique service they provide to the local Jewish community.

## Help support the AIDS Food Bank

Bring an item of non-perishable food with you to every Friday night service.

## 1991 UAHC General Assembly To Be Held In Baltimore

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations will hold its 62nd General Assembly from October 31 to November 4, 1991 in Baltimore. Join workshops and study sessions to explore the theme of the conference: "The Reform Jew: Values, Practices and Visions." Delegates from UAHC congregations will vote in plenary sessions on resolutions that greatly affect our Reform Jewish community.

## New Members

The Membership Committee is pleased to announce that our congregation gained several new members and friends in March and April. A warm welcome to the latest people to join our family:

Harold Bornstein (Hal)

Phillip Resnick

Lynn Eden

Carolyn Pines

Lisa Feldstein

Julie Ginsberg

Ellen (Ellie) Mindy Cohen

Aaron Frankel

Apologies to the following new members who were voted in in January 1991 but who were inadvertently omitted from mention in the March newsletter.

Jay Cohen

David Custead

Esther Ehrlich

Tova Green

Lawrence Hyman

Robert Katz

Neil Rosenbaum, Lauren Galanes,  
Eva Rosenbaum, Claudia Rosenbaum

Elliot Schneck

New members are welcomed and honored at Friday night services on the last Friday of the month. By making them feel a part of our family, we can all help to show our new members that they have a valuable place at Sha'ar Zahav.

## Aufruf

Members and friends of the congregation are invited to an *aufruf* in honor of Dan Bellm and Rabbi Yoel Kahn at CSZ on Shabbat morning, June 15, beginning at 10:30 am. Aufruf refers to the Shabbat service before the wedding ceremony when, in previous times, the groom received a special aliyah. Dan and Yoel are celebrating their 10th anniversary together in a ceremony of *kiddushin*. The congregation and community are invited to attend this service and the oneg.

Rabbi Margaret Wenig of Temple Beth Am, Washington Heights, N.Y., will co-lead the service and also speak at our evening service on Friday, June 14. We hope you will share our celebration with us.

—Yoel Kahn and Dan Bellm

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All newsletter copy should be typed, double-spaced and is due no later than the date of the Va'ad meeting. It should be sent to the synagogue office, marked to the attention of the *Forward*. All material is subject to editing; material will not be returned.

Members of the Newsletter Committee are Howard Blechman, chair, Leonard Brill, Ellen Murland, Irene Ogus, Alita Rosenfeld, Lane Schickler and Robin Leonard (general editorial and production), Michael Bettinger (photographer), Rick Wilson (advertising coordinator), Frank Hyman, Alex Ingersoll, Sam Thal, Lin Turner, Eli Weinstein and Ron Wilmot (distribution). The *Forward* is typeset by David Lester, Mouse Type Inc., and printed by Lou Greene.

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## Book Review

*Living Each Day*, by Rabbi Abraham J. Twerski, M.D., *The ArtScroll Series*, Mesorah Publications, Ltd., Brooklyn. 416 pp. \$15.95 hard cover/\$12.95 paperback.

Here is a book to savor each and every day of the year. Written in simple, non-technical language, the author has culled from our Jewish tradition a wealth of wise counsel to facilitate daily spiritual growth. The book is beautifully designed, with easy-to-read type.

Rabbi Twerski is founder and medical director of Gateway Rehabilitation Center for the treatment of alcohol and drug addiction in Aliquippa, Penn., and is currently Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He is a fine *chassidic* scholar, and writes with warmth and compassion.

This spiritual guide is written in a convenient daily format organized around the Jewish calendar. For each Hebrew date, the corresponding secular date is given. For each day, the author has selected a brief prayer, a passage from the Scriptures, and a pithy saying from the writings of the sages, followed by his thoughtful, incisive comments. Space is given on each page for notes. In addition to the daily inspirational messages, at the end of the book are brief discourses on each of the weekly *parashah*.

The aim of the book is an effort to give access to the concepts of spirituality and character development through our "vast treasury of *tefillah*—liturgy and prayer—that forms our *avodah*, and from Torah—both the Scriptures and the works of the Sages." The book is replete with the need for *teshuvah* and the importance of daily striving for overall perfection.

His mode of writing is traditional, using non-egalitarian language, but I found this easy to overlook.

As an example of Rabbi Twerski's commentary, the following is taken for the date of Cheshvan 3 (October 11, 1991):

**"You Shall Be Holy, For I, Your G-D, Am Holy (Leviticus 19:2)**

"Some Torah commentaries interpret the term 'shall' in the above passage not in its imperative sense, but as a statement of fact. It does not mean 'you *must* be holy,' but rather, 'you *will* be holy.'"

"Inasmuch as the soul of [a person] is identified with G-d..., it is a matter of fact that [one] must ultimately achieve holiness. Since this is inevitable, why delay it by indulgence in behavior that detracts from holiness?

"If we find ourselves in despair of achieving holiness, and believe that we have strayed too far to be close to G-d, then we must remember that such despair is delusional. If we are not yet one with G-d, we eventually will be so."

Perhaps the following passage from the publisher's forward summarizes this wonderful book:

"The Torah's message and the philosophy of its great exponents speak to us all. In a stressful, often chaotic age, we need their wise counsel and mellowing experience. If we can deal intelligently with the present, then we will manage to repent what we must of the past and lay the groundwork for the future.

"Living each day is no easy matter nowadays, but *Living Each Day* will make it much more enjoyable, pleasant and worthwhile."

—Bill Schlichter

## Library Notes

The Sha'ar Zahav library has recently acquired many new books through budgeted purchases and generous donations. These books are now on the shelf in a special section noted as "New Acquisitions." Come browse and read a book!

The library wishes to thank the following donors: Susan Unger, Dana & Max Lear, Rabbi Yoel Kahn, Florence & Steve Nacamulli, Ben Schalit, Merry Luskin, and Bob Gutterman & Paul Cohen.

Some of the recent new titles are: *The Literary Guide to the Bible*, *Three Jewish Philosophers*, *A Holocaust Reader*, *The Israelis: Founders and Sons*, *The Song of Songs* (Marcia Falk), *The Talmud—Steinmetz Edition*, and *The JPS Torah Commentary—Exodus*.

The Sha'ar Zahav Fiction Connection is continuing to meet once a month to discuss a work of fiction. For May, the group will meet over dinner on Wednesday, May 15 at 7:30 pm to discuss Philip Roth's *Deception*. All members are welcome to read the book and attend. Call 482-4825 for more information.

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## International Conference

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free time, we reconvene for dinner, Havdallah, the keynote speaker's address and a dance. The keynote speaker is Paulette Goodman, national president of PFLAG and a holocaust survivor. When the dance begins, an art hall will open, showcasing Bay Area Jewish artists and museums.

Sunday morning sees the third workshop session. The afternoon's activity is an optional tour on San Francisco Bay. On Sunday evening, those out-of-town guests who signed up for home hospitality dinners with CSZ members will be treated to California cuisine. (Perhaps we'll all cook from—and sell copies of—our own *Out of Our Kitchen Closets*). After dinner, we'll all return to the hotel for a gay/lesbian music and comedy show. Comics include Karen Williams, Tom Ammiano and Karen Ripley. Musicians include Judith Kate Friedman and Linda Hirschhorn and the Vocelots.

Monday morning opens with the fourth workshop session. Then we all gather to eat again (what else is new?) at the closing brunch and plenary session. At 8:15 am, a minyan will be held both Sunday and Monday mornings.

If you don't plan on attending the conference, but would like to meet some registrants, we still need people to provide overnight hospitality (if you're interested, call Ora Prochovnick at 334-2134) or to host a Sunday night home hospitality dinner (if you're interested, call Robin, number below).

It's not too late to register. Call Robin Leonard (386-7876) or Marc Mencher (626-9592) if you need a registration form or other information. If you'd like to register for part of the conference, here are the fees:

- Saturday workshops (two sessions), \$30
- Saturday luncheon, \$20
- Saturday dinner and dance, \$35
- Sunday workshops (one session), \$20
- Sunday boat tour, \$17
- Sunday music and comedy show, \$20
- Monday workshops (one session), \$20
- Monday brunch and plenary session, \$15

This is one event not to be missed.

## International Conference:

### A Favorite Restaurant To Share?

Got a favorite restaurant? If you do, send your selection to the office (attention Jonathan Goldman). Be sure to include location, type of cuisine, price range, etc. A list will be created for conference participants.

## Naches

To **Rich Goldwasser** and **Susan Goldfisher** who were married on February 3.

To **Marsha Blachman** and **Amy Gentile**, the parents of Max Anthony Blachman-Gentile, who was born December 24, entered the Covenant and was named on February 24.

To **Henry Mach** on receiving a Cable Car Award for *Dirty Dreams of a Clean-Cut Kid*.

To **Allan Gold** on being named "Outstanding School Psychologist" for 1991 by the California Association of School Psychologists.

To **Lane Schickler** on his acceptance to the new Masters Entry Program in Nursing at UCSF.

To **Tiela Chalmers & Nancy Koch, Roberta Achtenberg & Mary Morgan** for being featured in the *San Francisco Examiner's Image Magazine* article, "Painting the Town Lavender."

To **Robin Leonard** on the publication of her new book, *Money Troubles: Legal Strategies To Cope with Your Debts* (Nolo Press), and her subsequent publicity tour which included a spot on *Good Morning, America*.

## Oneg Sponsors

During recent months onegs were sponsored by the following generous people:

- 2/15 Eileen Norberg and Edward Pollock, in memory of Alan Ellis
- 3/1 Paul Cohen, in memory of his father; and Bob Gutterman, in memory of his mother.
- 3/15 Mike Rankin, in honor of Isabelle Fishman's 94th birthday
- 4/5 Howard Blechman, in memory of Ron Gertz

## CSZ Educators Attend Conference

Sha'ar Zahav educators Stuart Finehart and Phyllis Mintzer attended the recent Bay Area Jewish Educators conference sponsored by the Bureau of Jewish Education in cooperation with other organizations. They enjoyed a day focused on "Teaching in a World of Uncertainty," and had access to a variety of workshops on teaching techniques, with a special emphasis on Judaism and current events. A workshop exploring Jewish perspectives on the Persian Gulf war was offered by Ari Goldman, who writes on religion for the *New York Times*.

## Contributions

Sha'ar Zahav welcomes all contributions, of all sizes, to mark any event, and to any of our funds. Contributions will be acknowledged in the *Forward* unless requested otherwise.

Donations were made to Sha'ar Zahav's funds in the past months by the following contributors:

### General Fund

*We encourage donations to the General Fund to help offset our budget deficit.*

Clarence E. McClanallan

Ron Lezell, in honor of the birth of Itmar Erb-Kent, son of Danny Kent

Betty Kalis, in honor of Isabelle Fishman's 94th birthday

Jonathan Funk and John Arnold, in honor of Catherine Dodd's birthday

Jeff Rubin, in honor of Jonathan Goldman and Nathan Robinson for their work on the Purim Party

Steven Elman and Tom Holt, in memory of Tom Kerncamp, dear friend of Allan Brandstein

Judy Schwartz, in honor of Allan Gold's being named outstanding school psychologist

Harold Podgur, in memory of his mother, Mollie Podgur

Nancy Epstein, in memory of her father, Erwin Epstein

### AIDS Fund

Allen Brandstein, in memory of Tom Kerncamp and Tom Seewald

### Oneg Fund

Richard Sinkoff

### Pesach Fund

Barry Siegel, in memory of his grandmother, Rebecca Nutes



## CSZ Co-Sponsors Quilt

A coalition of Jewish community groups and congregations will be organizing a showing of a portion of the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt at the Jewish Community Center, 3200 California St., San Francisco, from Shavuot through Memorial Day (May 21 through May 28). This is a *Jewish* community event which provides our congregations with a special opportunity for involvement and outreach. As a co-sponsor, our congregation will be helping to staff the event. The Social Action Committee, which is coordinating our participation, needs may volunteers during the week of the quilt display to serve in a variety of capacities, including emotional support and interpretive work. The opening reception will be Tuesday, May 21, from 5:30 to 7 pm. If you are able to help, call Jonathan Mesinger at 387-0977.

## By-Laws/Elections

The Va'ad has approved and placed on the annual meeting agenda a number of by-laws changes including making the presidential term two years, creating a second vice president position and revising the terms of Va'ad members to three years.

Taking into consideration the overwhelming Va'ad approval of these changes, the Elections Committee is currently putting together a slate for our 1991 elections, based on these revised by-laws.

Voting on both the by-laws changes and new officers and Va'ad members will take place at the annual congregational meeting on Sunday, June 2.

Open positions for this year's election include president, administrative vice president, program vice president, recorder, and Va'ad terms of both three years and one year. If you are a member in good standing and wish to be considered for an open position, but have not been contacted by the elections committee, please send a letter to the synagogue office indicating your interest. All letters should be received by May 7.

Each member will receive a packet of materials for the 1991 election in mid-May. This will include the names of nominees for the various open positions and applications for absentee ballots.

## Investment Option: Israel Bonds

A vast majority of new Israel Bond holders didn't have to break piggy banks to come up with money to help Israel—they just used the money from their existing IRAs, Keoghs and pension or profit-sharing plans.

In the initial phase of the recent emergency drive, \$1.25 million has been raised from those sources in denominations as low as \$2,000. According to George Frankenstein, Northern California Israel Bonds chair, a "desire to help Israel at this time, coupled with the awareness that Israel Bonds pay advantageous rates, has made bond sales soar. Since Israel Bonds now include a number of attractive features, we have been busy educating the community about the tremendous opportunity they have to invest)—and to do so with already existing funds. The response has been unbelievably enthusiastic." He continues, "the cash portion of a self-directed pension plan can be used to purchase Israel Bonds, because the rate of return

in today's market is even better than money market funds. This is the best deal in the Jewish world. You do a *mitzvah*, you earn desirable interest, and you get your money back at the end."

The following securities are currently available from Israel Bonds:

- The Variable Rate Issue (VRI) Bond
- The Individual Variable Rate Issue (IVRI) Bond
- Zero Coupon Savings Bonds
- Current Income Bonds
- State of Israel \$250 Certificates

These securities can best be explained by talking with an Israel Bond professional. Call Chuck Wexler at the bond office at (415) 781-3213.

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## March and April Va'ad Reports

The March meeting was spent primarily on routine business. For his D'var Torah, Rabbi Kahn began the meeting with an analogy between our work as leaders of the congregation and the week's Torah portion on the building of the Sanctuary in the wilderness. Our tasks are part of an ongoing project and we are always building, though sometimes we have the sense that we will never finish, or we're not sure where we're going.

Brett Trueman reported favorably on our financial situation. Thanks to a combination of expense-cutting measures and the special assessment on members, we no longer anticipate a deficit at the end of the year, and may even show a small surplus. The Va'ad discussed fundraising in future years, and looked at how other sibling congregations (such as Beth Chayim Chadashim in Los Angeles) handle this. The Finance Committee will be putting together proposals for revenue enhancements and will present them to the Va'ad at a future meeting.

Mike Rankin distributed copies of the UAHC Northern California Council Regional Newsletter for February 1991, which focused on the Committee on AIDS. He asked the Va'ad to vote in April on a resolution included with his written report, asking President Bush to end discrimination against gays and lesbians serving in the armed forces. Judy Schwartz presented four individuals for membership who were accepted unanimously. Tiela Chalmers reported that a draft of the Long Range Plan has been prepared with the help of Dan Bellm and is ready for review. A mini-Advance has been set for Sunday, May 5 for that purpose and the Long Range Planning Committee hopes to have the plan ready to present to the congregation at the Annual Meeting on June 2.

Paul Cohen presented the final recommendations of the Elections Committee for changes to the composition and duties of the Va'ad, including the addition of a second vice-president, changes to the presidential and vice-presidential duties and terms of office, and to the length of terms for the Va'ad members. The Va'ad approved two proposals, one for changing from the current to the proposed Va'ad terms, and one

that increased the president's term of office to two years.

Jeffrey Miller reported that the sound system in the sanctuary was stolen during the previous week. Va'ad members expressed their concerns about the lack of a policy requiring renters to have a coordinator to serve as a central point of contact and responsibility. After some discussion, the Va'ad passed a motion that requires every function at the building to have one person who is the responsible coordinator. Coordinators will be presented with a check-off sheet.

Merry Luskin reported that 20 neighbors have complained about people parking illegally because access to Danvers was blocked by a car during services one Friday. Merry responded apologizing and reassuring them that we will ask drivers to observe parking regulations and be mindful of the neighbors. Merry reported that the Purim party was nice despite very low attendance. She also informed the Va'ad of the status of various committees which require new chairs and/or members. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm, followed by a closed session of the Va'ad.

Much of the April meeting was devoted to preparations for the coming fiscal year. During the past two Va'ad meetings, the Elections Committee had proposed various changes and this month the By-laws Committee presented the revisions to the bylaws of the congregation based on these changes. Ed Pollock, chair of this committee, led a discussion of the

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### Anniversaries

- 5/3 Kirk Hinman & Marc Mencher
- 5/17 Joan Gelfand & Debbie Kinney
- 5/25 Stuart Michael Bronn & Tom Wilhite
- 5/29 Carol Heller & Annie Larson
- 6/9 Cheryl Mann & Bree Meyer
- 6/12 Irene Ogus & Rosalinda Del Moral
- 6/13 Julie Moed & Cathy Miller
- 6/13 Yoel Kahn & Dan Bellm
- 6/19 Mercedes Grace Laurencin & Laurie B. Hauer
- 6/19 Lane Schickler & Jim Perkins
- 6/21 Lolma Olson & Beth Reed
- 6/21 Joel Levine & Debbi Jacobs
- 6/24 Lyssa Friedman & Daphne Stuart
- 6/30 Alita Rosenfeld & Kate Sharp

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revisions, after which they were approved by the Va'ad for presentation to the congregation at the annual meeting.

Ben Schalit, chair of the Finance Committee, presented the first draft of the 1991-92 budget. A considerable amount of time was spent discussing not only the budget, but the need for a formal process for developing policy and setting our organizational direction and priorities. The Finance Committee will continue working on the budget based on this discussion, and will return to present a final draft at the May meeting. Upon passage by the Va'ad, the budget will also be presented to the congregation at the annual meeting.

Several questions were raised by members of the Dues Implementation Committee about their responsibilities and authority, and the Va'ad passed a proposal that made it a standing (as opposed to *ad hoc*) committee, with the membership to be comprised of the treasurer, two Va'ad members, and four at-large members of the congregation. A second proposal was passed that made this committee responsible for the collection of dues, as well as the dues pledges. Fundraising was discussed and Claudia Bernard will be working with the Finance Committee and other interested members to develop some fundraising ideas for 1991-92 and beyond. Brett Trueman reviewed the monthly financial statement and reported on our financial condition. Judy Schwartz presented four individuals who were voted in as members of the congregation. The Va'ad passed a motion presented by Lisa Katz (on behalf of the Social Action Committee), that CSZ contribute \$100 as co-sponsors of the showing of the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt at the Jewish Community Center during the week between Shavuot and Memorial Day. In response to a proposal from Mike Rankin, UAHC representative, a motion was passed to support a resolution asking President Bush to end discrimination against gays and lesbians serving in the armed forces. It will be presented to the UAHC at the next Biennial in November in Baltimore. After a full agenda the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 pm, followed by a closed session for Va'ad members.

—Gail Friedlander





## Birthdays

5/2 Rena Frantz  
 5/3 Marion H. Trentman  
 5/4 Eileen Dunn  
 5/4 Jeffrey Rubin  
 5/6 Henry Hirsch Carrey  
 5/6 Aaron Garay Buchbinder  
 5/6 Joyce Amburgey  
 5/7 Leah Ann Fraimow-Wong  
 5/7 Tom Steel  
 5/8 Stephanie Hannaford  
 5/8 Shelley Samuels  
 5/9 Sherry Sporn  
 5/10 Sonia Elizabeth Douglass  
 5/10 E. Lawney Baldwin  
 5/15 Michael Norman Pierce  
 5/15 Lina Zerbarini  
 5/16 Edward Tanovitz  
 5/16 Kenneth P. Burke  
 5/17 Janice D. Gould-Macomber  
 5/18 Carol J. Cohen  
 5/18 David Stein  
 5/18 Jane Graeven  
 5/20 Richard Wilson  
 5/21 Lolma Olson  
 5/21 Gerald Rosenstein  
 5/23 Suzanne Shimek  
 5/24 David Custead  
 5/26 Robert Katz  
 5/26 Sylvia Weisenberg  
 5/28 Sherie Ann Koshover  
 5/29 Eric Keitel  
 5/29 Marilyn Kalman  
 5/30 Shelley Eisenman  
 6/1 Cheryl Mann  
 6/1 Donald Abrams  
 6/3 Shoshana Jacobs Levine  
 6/3 David Hyman  
 6/4 Ora S. Prochovnick  
 6/5 Katherine Gulley  
 6/6 Ernie Weinstein  
 6/6 Marsha Blachman  
 6/7 Marianne Camp  
 6/9 Allyce Kimerling  
 6/10 Claudia Bernard  
 6/10 Daniel Chesir  
 6/11 Timothy Nathaniel Rubin  
 6/13 Sunny Schwartz  
 6/15 Barry Leonard Klezmer  
 6/15 Beverly Hewett  
 6/18 Jason Gaber  
 6/19 Susan Sobel-Feldman  
 6/22 Margaret Rossoff  
 6/24 M. Paul Schwartz  
 6/26 Jonathan Mesinger  
 6/26 Marc Lipschutz  
 6/28 Sidney P. Rosenthal  
 6/28 Cynthia Schorr  
 6/28 Lisa L. Katz  
 6/28 Randy Mayers  
 6/29 Jay Feinstein  
 6/29 Emma Garay Buchbinder  
 6/30 Benjamin Blachman Forshay

## Women's Chavurah

### Take Me Out ...

**A**ttention baseball fans! Come and watch the San Francisco Giants play baseball at a Sunday afternoon home game on either May 12 or May 19. You will need to call Susan at 550-1758 or Ellyn at 753-0304 to reserve a space for yourself and your friends. Please call soon, as tickets must be pre-purchased. So come to the game and have a great time!

## Condolences

To **Allen Brandstein** on the loss of his friend, Tom Kerncamp.

To **Julie Moed** on the loss of her mother, Lil Moed.

To **Merry Luskin** on the loss of her friend, Linda Rosenfeld.

To **Mark Pressler** on the loss of his grandmother, Etta Jacobson.

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**Services** are held every Friday evening beginning at 8:15 pm (except as noted), with an Oneg Shabbat following services. Services are generally held on the second and last Saturday of each month at 10:30 am—check calendar for each month.

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**1** Wednesday  
17 Iyar

**2** Thursday  
18 Iyar  
• 6:30pm, Long-Range Planning

**3** Friday  
19 Iyar  
• 8:15pm, Services, Emor, Aaron Frankel and Lina Zerbarini

**4** Saturday  
20 Iyar  
• 9:30am, Kadimah

**5** Sunday  
21 Iyar

**6** Monday  
22 Iyar

**7** Tuesday  
23 Iyar

**8** Wednesday  
24 Iyar

**9** Thursday  
25 Iyar

**10** Friday  
26 Iyar  
• 8:15pm, Services, Behar-Bechukotai, Tiela Chalmers and Susan Gelmis

**11** Saturday  
27 Iyar  
• 9:30am, Kadimah

**12** Sunday  
28 Iyar

**13** Monday  
29 Iyar  
• 6:30pm, Va'ad meeting

**14** Tuesday  
1 Sivan

**15** Wednesday  
2 Sivan  
• 7:30pm, Fiction Connection, 482-4825

**16** Thursday  
3 Sivan  
• 7:30pm, Bikkur Cholim

**17** Friday  
4 Sivan  
• 8:15pm, Services, Bamidbar, Frank Masson, Gary Sokol and Rabbi Kahn  
• East Bay service, Marion Trentman's home, 275 Gil Blas Road, Danville

**18** Saturday  
5 Sivan  
• 9:30am, End of school, open house, family service, picnic  
• 7:30pm, Potluck supper  
• 8pm, From Barchu to Breakfast—all-night tikkun, Daniel Chesir  
• 9pm, Services, Erev Shavuot, Daniel Chesir

**19** Sunday  
6 Sivan

**20** Monday  
7 Sivan

**21** Tuesday  
8 Sivan  
• 5:30-7pm, Reception for AIDS Quilt at JCC (through May 28)

**22** Wednesday  
9 Sivan

**23** Thursday  
10 Sivan

**24** Friday  
11 Sivan  
• World Congress Conference  
• 8:30pm, Services, Naso, at Sherith Israel

**25** Saturday  
12 Sivan  
• World Congress Conference  
• Services at Sherith Israel

**26** Sunday  
13 Sivan  
• World Congress Conference

**27** Monday  
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• World Congress Conference

**28** Tuesday  
15 Sivan

**29** Wednesday  
16 Sivan

**30** Thursday  
17 Sivan  
• 6:30pm, Ritual Committee

**31** Friday  
18 Sivan  
• 8:15pm, Services, Bahaalotecha, Henry Mach and Larry Wexler

**7** Friday, June 7  
25 Sivan  
• 8:15pm, Services, Shelach, Scott Mezistrano, Daniel Chesir, sermon by Rabbi Kahn

*Note: Gray areas indicate religious services.*

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## East Bay Services

The Sha'ar Zahav East Bay shabbat service in May will be held on May 17 at 8 pm in the home of Marion Trentman, 275 Gil Blas Road in Danville. For more information, call Steve Greenberg (357-2027).





# DIGEST

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## Gay and Lesbian Jewish Communities Expand in Great Britain and Germany

The beginning of this new decade is witnessing the continuous growth of Gay and Lesbian Jewish communities in Europe, particularly in England and Germany. Jewish Gay and Lesbian life in London, which will be the site of the 13th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews in 1993, has witnessed remarkable development over the past year. Already London boasts three member organizations of the World Congress, more than any other city in the world. These are the Jewish and Lesbian Group (JGLG), the world's oldest Gay and Lesbian Jewish organization, founded in 1972; the Jewish Lesbian and Gay Helpline; and Hineinu.

The Helpline is a social service project rather than a religious or social group like most other World Congress member organizations. It provides a telephone service, staffed two evenings a week — Monday and Thursday — offering advice, counseling, and information to Jewish Lesbians and Gay men. Since its formation some three years ago, it has emerged as a major resource. Many *Digest* readers may well have called the Helpline during visits to London to find out what was going on during their stay. At the same time, the Helpline is very conscious of the assistance it can offer to isolated Gay and Lesbian Jews: for instance, those who are just coming out, or young people still living at home, or members of Orthodox communities. In addition, together with the JGLG, the Helpline is listed as a resource in a pamphlet entitled "AIDS and the Jewish Community" prepared by the Interfaith Group of the Terrence Higgins Trust.

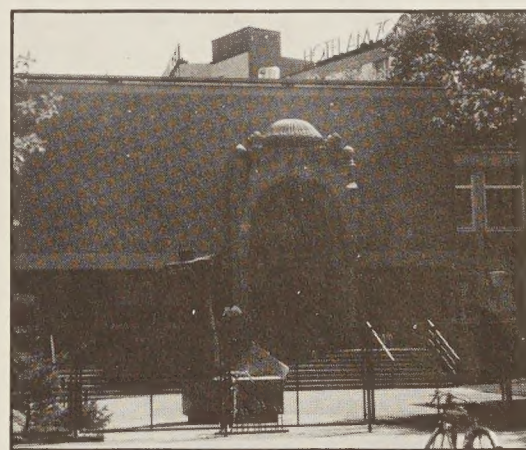
Young people constitute the whole membership of the third London group, Hineinu, which was founded by and for Jewish Lesbians, Gay men, and Bisexuals up to the age of 26. The group meets regularly at London's Lesbian and Gay

Centre, where it held a very successful Hanukkah party in December. Hineinu was also the subject of an informative and supportive article in London's *Jewish Chronicle* the day prior to London's Lesbian and Gay Pride Day last June.

Recent months have also seen the establishment of Beit Klal Yisrael, a congregation in North Kensington which has a high proportion of Lesbian and Gay members, though its outreach is aimed at all Jews who feel distanced from Judaism for various reasons. The community's rabbi is American-born Sheila Shulman, a noted Lesbian feminist poet and author, who studied at London's Leo Baeck College, the center of Britain's Reform and Liberal movements, and who was ordained in 1989.

Although London has always been Britain's main Jewish population center, there are smaller communities in a number of other cities. Following last year's highly successful 2nd European/Israeli Regional Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews in Amsterdam, a number of Jewish Lesbians and Gay men, with help from London's JGLG, formed the Jewish Gay and Lesbian Group—Northern Region, serving Manchester, Sheffield, Leeds, Nottingham, Birmingham, and Liverpool. Recent activities have included an opera night and a Purim party, and a Passover seder is planned. JGLG—North can be contacted through London JGLG.

On the European continent, L'Chaim — to life! — is the name of Germany's first Jewish Gay and Lesbian group. The title is significant: Jewish life was once all but extinguished in Germany. In the pre-Hitler era, nearly 600,000 Jews lived in Germany. Today's reunified Germany counts a Jewish population of barely 30,000. Nonetheless, the horrors of Nazism did not obliterate the glories of Jewish culture in the Germany of yesteryear. Moreover, it was in Germany that the first



**The Jewish Community Center in Berlin stands on the site of the Fasanenstrasse Synagogue, destroyed during Kristallnacht. The synagogue's remaining portal has been placed at the Center's entrance.**

organized political movement for homosexual rights was launched, and the first homosexual emancipation organization — the Wissenschaftlich-humanitäres Komitee (Scientific-Humanitarian Committee) — was founded nearly a century ago, in 1897, by a Gay Jew, Dr. Magnus Hirschfeld. In the same city where that movement began, Berlin, Gay and Lesbian Jews organized themselves during 1990 into a new group, L'Chaim. The organization participated in the city's Gay and Lesbian Pride festival in June — the first in which Lesbians and Gay men from both halves of Berlin could take part — and it has since organized a picnic and also a seminar on anti-Semitism. Reflecting Germany's present-day Jewish population, many L'Chaim members are from other countries — especially the United States and Israel. Meanwhile, further life may be infused into today's German Jewry — and, we hope, L'Chaim too! — by the current arrival of several thousand Jewish immigrants from the Soviet Union.

## 12th International Conference Coming!

Plan now to be in San Francisco May 24-27 for the 12th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews. Hosted by Sha'ar Zahav, San Francisco's Lesbian and Gay congregation, the conference will take place at the Golden Gateway Holiday Inn, site of the 5th International Conference in 1980, at which the World Congress was founded.

A pre-conference workshop on creating liturgy will be led by rabbi Yoel Kahn of Sha'ar Zahav on May 24. The conference will open late that afternoon with

a hospitality suite and exhibit hall highlighting World Congress member organizations, followed by Shabbat evening services. The next three days will include exciting workshops, moving services, an exhibit of San Francisco Jewish art and literature, a dinner dance, a Gay and Lesbian music and comedy night, home hospitality dinners with Sha'ar Zahav members, and a boat tour of San Francisco Bay.

Registration fees are discounted for attendees from outside of the USA and

Canada, and are lower prior to March 15. For specific information, registration forms, and scholarship requests, write to Sha'ar Zahav, 220 Danvers, San Francisco, CA 94114 USA. A special conference air fare has been arranged with United Airlines and its international carrier, Air Canada. Contact Uniglobe-Prym Travel in Arlington, VA: in the United States, phone (800) 999-2999; outside of the USA, phone (703) 415-4500. Hotel reservations will be made through the conference committee.



# Jewish Communities Sponsor Dialogues on Gay and Lesbian Issues

Gay and Lesbian issues and concerns are increasingly the subject of discussion in Jewish communities. For example, at the 59th annual Council of Jewish Federations (CJF) General Assembly, held last November in San Francisco, three different sessions highlighted concerns of Lesbians, Gay men, and Persons with AIDS. The sessions focused on Jewish communal and family responses to AIDS, coming out, and spiritual needs of Gay and Lesbian Jews. Speakers included Rabbi Yoel Kahn of Sha'ar Zahav and Andy Rose of the National Jewish AIDS Project.

On February 13, Temple Emanu-El in Dallas sponsored a forum entitled "Homosexuality and the Jewish Viewpoint: A Reform Perspective." The Reform Central Conference of American Rabbis, long on record opposing anti-Gay discrimination, last year became the largest United States religious body to agree to ordain clergy regardless of their sexual orientation. The University of Hartford Hillel invited Rabbi Chana Timoner, spiritual leader of Congregation Am Segulah, to participate in a discussion on Judaism and the Lesbian Gay community on March 7 as part of Jewish Awareness Week. The following Sunday, March 10, several Washington-area Jewish organizations and congregations — including Bet Mishpachah — co-sponsored a Jewish Community Dialogue on Gay and Lesbian Jews, addressing Jewish views toward homosexuality, family needs of Gay and Lesbian Jews, AIDS and the Jewish family, synagogue acceptance of Lesbian and Gay members, and many other subjects. Also co-sponsoring the dialogue was Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

Other recent examples of Jewish communal support for Lesbian and Gay Jews and their families include the establishment in Rochester of a group called Parents and Friends of Jewish Gays and Lesbians, under the auspices of Rochester Jewish Family Services, and a grant of \$2500 to Yakhdav by the Montreal Jewish Community Foundation to promote Yakhdav's work in the Gay and Lesbian and Jewish communities.

## Upcoming Events

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| <b>1991</b>    |  |
| May 23-24      | World Congress Board of Directors Meeting                        |
| San Francisco  |  |
| May 24-27      | 12th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews            |
| San Francisco  |  |
| June 30-July 6 | 13th Annual ILGA Conference                                      |
| Guadalajara    |  |
| <b>1992</b>    |  |
| May 28-31      | 3rd European/Israeli Regional Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews |
| Paris          |  |

## Progress Toward Gay Rights in Israel

Less than three years after the Knesset repealed Israel's law criminalizing Gay sex (a holdover from the British mandate), significant strides toward guaranteeing equal rights for Lesbians and Gay men have been made.

Last June, Judge Haim Eilat of the Tel Aviv District Court ruled that discrimination against Gay men and Lesbians in business was illegal. The previous month, in a case involving a belly dancer performing in restaurants, the Israeli Supreme Court ruled that *kashrut* licenses could be revoked only on the basis of food serving and preparation, and not other factors. In 1979, a threatened revocation of a *kashrut* license caused the 4th International Conference of Gay and Lesbian Jews to relocate.

In July 1990, two weeks after Israel's Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Equality Week, a bill to amend the Equal Opportunities in the Workplace Law to guarantee equal rights without regard to sexual orientation was introduced into the Knesset, signed by MKs from the Civil Rights List, Mapam, Labor, Shinui, and Likud. Much support for the bill was garnered by the Israeli Gay activist group Otzma.

# Western, Northeastern and Southwestern Regionals Round Out 1990

Following the successful European/Israeli and Midwestern Regional Conferences of Gay and Lesbian Jews held in Amsterdam and Toronto, respectively, the World Congress sponsored three more conferences in 1990.

Seattle's Congregation Tikvah Chadashah hosted the third Western Regional Conference August 10-11, on the heels of the Gay Games in Vancouver. Participants from western North America enjoyed several stimulating workshops, moving Shabbat services, entertainment by the Mazeltone klezmer band, and a report on gains for Lesbian and Gay Jews in the Reform movement.

The fourth Northeast Regional returned to the Holiday Hills Conference Center in Pawling, New York, site of two previous conferences. Over 80 participants from Canada, the northeastern USA, and England came together the weekend of August 17-19 for Shabbat services, rustic hospitality, and a variety of workshops ranging from "Building Bridges to the Wider Jewish Community" to "Is Hiring a Rabbi the Right Thing to Do?" to "Living with a Non-Jewish Lover." Among the participants was a member of a new group, Am Chofshi, in Portland, Maine.

Dallas' Beth El Binah hosted the World Congress' first Southwestern Regional Conference the weekend of December 14-16. Taking place during Hanukkah, the conference featured Shabbat and holiday celebrations, a discussion with World Congress leaders, and participation by area Reform rabbis.

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